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SUBJECT: PROTEST MARCH PLANNED BY GREEK PEACH PRODUCERS

1. ACCORDING TO JULY 2 ANNOUNCEMENT BY
NAOUSA UNION OF FRUIT GROWERS, LOCAL PEACH
PRODUCERS PLANNING PROTEST MARCH TO ATHENS AND
THESSALONIKI JULY 4 IF GOG DOES NOT RESUME
REGULAR EXPORT SHIPMENTS. UNION HAS ADVISED
MINISTERS OF CCORDINATION, AGRICULTURE AND
COMMERCE ULTIMATUM BY CABLE JULY 2.

2. ACCORDING TO JULY 3 PRESS ACCOUNTS, PRODUCERS
CLAIM THAT PEACHES CURRENTLY AWAITING
SHIPMENT IN COLD STORAGE RISK SPOILAGE BECAUSE
OF "SUSPENSION OF SHIPMENTS AND UNFAIR ALLOCATION
OF REFRIGERATED RAIL CARS". PROPOSED MARCH WILL
INCLUDE CARS, TRACTORS AND AGRICULTURAL VEHICLES.

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3. COMMENT: NAOUSA IS CENTER OF GREEK PEACH

PRODUCTION AND CURRENTLY BENEFITING FROM
REPORTED POOR PEACH CROPS IN EEC AREA.
AS OF JULY 1, CURRENT YEAR EXPORTS
TO WEST GERMANY TOTALLED 15,800 TONS AND LOCAL

GROWERS PREDICT TOTAL EXPORTS WILL DOUBLE
THOSE OF PREVIOUS YEAR. PROTEST ABOVE RESULTS
FROM RECENT GOG DECISION TO TEMPORARILY CURTAIL
PEACH EXPORTS IN ORDER NOT TO LOWER MUNICH MARKET PRICES
AND
RING INTO EFFECT EEC COUNTERVAILING DUTY. PROBLEM
BELIEVED LIKELY TO CONTINUE THROUGHOUT SUMMER.
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